



# CREATURE CHRONICLES

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# Message from the CEO

**G**erald is my new best friend. I love him. He has been hanging out in my office for the past two weeks to get a break from the stress of the kennels and to try to get used to people. Gerald is an eight-year-old lab who has spent his life in an outdoor cage on the Eastern Shore. He was found with 15 other dogs. He was most likely used for breeding. He has a hard time walking on the slick floors in my office...he's not accustomed to being indoors. His breathing is labored at times, due to heartworms, a completely preventable condition with proper care.

While Gerald does not have any physical scars of abuse, the psychological damage is obvious. Several people have passed through my office wondering if it would be possible to give him anti-depressant medication. Gerald is very sad.

But slowly he is coming around. In my previous career as a clinical social worker, I worked with people who had been abused. Gerald reminds me of them. The fear, difficulty trusting, and self-blame are the same. Although he can't speak, you can tell that Gerald feels ashamed... he assumes he must have been a very bad dog to have been treated so poorly.

When he first came into my office, Gerald positioned himself in front of the door. He would move to the opposite side of my office to avoid me whenever I had to go in or out of the door. Then he would move back to the door when the coast was clear. He made no eye contact, tucked his tail firmly between his legs - no wagging - wouldn't eat or take treats, and if spoken to, he would hang his head until his nose touched the floor.

A few days ago, that started to change. Gerald came over and stood just out of my reach, then slowly inched his way over until he was close enough for me to rub him. After a few minutes, he went back to his position in front of the door, then repeated the process...over and over again... testing to be sure it was safe and I wasn't going to hurt him. He was also allowing himself to experience the warm feeling of being petted and loved. The next day, he raised his head as I was rubbing him and looked right at me with his big, brown eyes. And each day since, he has held his head a little higher, come a little closer, and trusted a little more.

Gerald is going home today to a new family, and I am really going to miss him. Other dogs will come into my office for respite, and I will make new best friends...but Gerald will always have a special place in my heart.



Thank you to each and every one of you who provide the support to give animals like Gerald the love and care they deserve. If you have not made a Best Friend contribution this year, please do. You are truly making a difference for animals like Gerald.

With heartfelt appreciation,

Dia DuVernet  
CEO

## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT - APRIL DYREK

**A**pril Dyrek celebrated her one year anniversary as a volunteer at the VBSPCA in February, but she is not resting on her laurels! April walks dogs and represents the VBSPCA at off-site adoption events. She is also putting in countless hours at our new Pet Supplies and Adoption Center. Both the animals and the staff of the VBSPCA have benefitted from April's take-care-of-business attitude. She designed and made "Adopt Me" vests with donation pockets for animals to wear at off-site events, pet bandanas to sell at our events, and she even created her own VBSPCA superhero costume that she wore in the Neptune Parade with adoptable animals. April's dedication and passion shines through in everything she does! We love you April - thanks so much for all you do!



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# Membership

## BEST FRIENDS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE 2015

The Virginia Beach SPCA is always willing and able to help animals in need. We provide respite, recovery, and renewed hope to over 3,500 animals in our shelter each year. Your continued annual Best Friends Membership support gives us the ability to be a best friend to these animals in need.

Becoming a Best Friend means that Rosie will sleep at the foot of her new owner's bed tonight, a classroom of 2nd graders will learn about responsible pet ownership and the value of compassion, spay and neuter services will be offered in rural areas, and seniors will receive pet food delivery through our Pet Pantry program. Programs like low cost veterinary care, pet therapy, and wildlife rehabilitation will continue because of you. **Our strength lies in our membership. Our strength lies in you.**



### WILL YOU BECOME A BEST FRIEND TODAY?

Your Best Friends Membership will make you our partner in change, and your gift will make a difference:

**\$25** will provide a full set of vaccines, flea treatment and heartworm test for one dog.

**\$50** will provide spay or neuter surgery for one cat.

**\$100** will provide formula for one litter of orphaned kittens.

**\$125** will provide spay or neuter surgery for one dog.

Send your Best Friends Membership gift TODAY and we will send you this "VBSPCA Best Friend" decal to place on your car! Display it with pride and let others know you are a Best Friend of the VBSPCA animals.

*Become a Best Friend today – Send your check or credit card information with the return envelope offered inside this newsletter or visit us online at [www.vbspca.com](http://www.vbspca.com).*



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# Events - It's a Wrap!

## 27th Annual Spring Gala - "Western Wags & Whiskers"

Our Western Wags & Whiskers Gala sold out, with nearly 500 guests celebrating at Priority Certified at Town Center on Saturday, March 28th. This event brought in over \$125,000 for the animals of the VBSPCA—our highest netting event to date!

"Shoes Required" kicked off the evening with country sounds while guests enjoyed a spectacular silent auction featuring more than 100 unique items. **Bruce Rader**, Sports Director for WAVY-TV and longtime VBSPCA supporter, emceed the evening's program and presented the VBSPCA Lifesaver Award to **Polly Taylor Watson**. Polly served on our Board and Gala Committee for decades, and is currently a member of our Honorary Board. She and her long-haired dachshund, Roxy, have been two of the organization's greatest ambassadors.

The evening continued as adoptable animals were escorted by prominent members of our community in our Dog & Cat Walk. Event co-chairs, **Maria Ellmer** and **Emily Franklin** led the walk, followed by **Brent Dunn & Barry Tomlin**, **Josh & Anna Canada**, **The Honorable Ben Davenport & Katie Davenport**, **George & Michelle Fox**, **Stephen & Lindsay Ballard**, and **Pete & Dana Decker**.

**Bruce Rader**, **Matt Ellmer** and **Taylor Franklin** worked the crowd for our "Circle of Care" fund-a-cause, during which attendees generously pledged almost \$40,000 towards the care of the 3,500 animals anticipated to be sheltered this year. We also had a surprise auctioneer, **Bruce Thompson**, who gave guests a sneak-peak of the \$70 million renovations to the Cavalier Hotel and auctioned off two exclusive packages.

Our guests enjoyed fabulous food and cocktails by **Chesapeake Bay Catering** and beer provided by **Back Bay Brewing**. They tried their luck on the mechanical bull and ended the evening dancing with **The Cody Austin Band**.

*All Photos by Don Monteaux*

Rosie went from the catwalk to a new home in no time flat! After falling in love with her at our Western Wags & Whiskers Gala, Rosie's new family rushed to the shelter to adopt her. Now that's something to wag your tail about!

*Pictured: (Left) George & Michelle Fox with Rosie and her sister Azalea at the Gala. (Right) The Slater Family adopting Rosie at the shelter*



*Pictured above: Trish Blue (Board Chair), Polly Taylor Watson (Honorary Board Member), Dia DuVernet (CEO) & Scott Taylor (Board Vice-Chair) as Polly accepts the VBSPCA Lifesaver Award. Event Co-Chairs Maria Ellmer & Emily Franklin. Bruce Rader & Bruce Thompson. VBSPCA supporters enjoying the music.*





**We are deeply grateful to the following sponsors, donors, and volunteers who helped make our Gala a success:**



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#### 2015 WESTERN WAGS & WHISKERS PLANNING COMMITTEE

##### Co-Chairs

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Lindsay Ballard, Sandra Baylor, Sandy Baylor, Renee Duval Fairchild, Jan Fine, Suzanne Gravitt, Meg Heckel, Stephanie Hillier, Judy Holland, Donna Kinney, Angie Lombardi, Corinne Mastronardi, Kathleen Pearson, Bruce Rader, Cynthia Rickman, Gilda Solomon, Debbie Stephens, Polly Watson, Jane Smith Wolcott, and Demaris Yearick

#### VOLUNTEERS:

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For a list of Silent Auction Donors and additional photos, please visit [vbspca.com/westernwags](http://vbspca.com/westernwags)

## UPCOMING EVENTS .....

July 11th 9-Noon Be Kind with Your Line Fishing Line Clean-Up

October 25th – Annual 5k Run & Walk for the Animals





# Round of A-Paws

The VBSPCA is extremely grateful to **Priority Automotive Group**, one of our very best friends! The Ellmers have done so much for the animals. Thanks to a generous \$20,000 contribution in December, 354 animals found "Homes for the Holidays." As headliners of our Western Wags & Whiskers Gala in March, the Ellmers opened up the entire Priority Certified dealership at Town Center to us so that we could transform it into the largest and most grand event in our history. Check out **Matt Ellmer** (right) encouraging people to bid during the fund-a-cause portion of our auction! (Find more gala wrap-up on pages 4 & 5)



A huge thank you to the **VBSPCA Pet Supplies & Adoption Center Volunteer Team** for lending their time, talent and expertise to help get the Center up and running.

**Walt Winters** and his volunteer teams are on Target! We can't say enough great things about all the volunteer groups from local **Target** stores who have donated their time at the shelter and at our Western Wags and Whiskers Gala!



A hearty shout out goes to **Kathy Arn** for taking on the enormous responsibility of passing out coupons for the Grand Opening of our new Pet Supplies & Adoption Center!

All of the critters both big and small are overjoyed by the number of schools, churches, and individuals who held **donation drives** during the holidays!

Three cheers and hip, hip, hooray to our Spay-ghetti schools – **Hermitage and Pembroke Elementary Schools** each sponsored Spay-ghetti dinners and together raised over \$1,200 for the VBSPCA in support of World Spay Day.

Let It Be known that we want to Twist and Shout with joy! Once again we are grateful to **Bill and Mary Dillon** for throwing the 2nd Virginia Beach SPCA & Rocky Raccoon 'Come Together' for the Help! The Animals Annual Party at **Abbey Road Restaurant and Pub**. Thanks to everyone who came out to support us!

An ultra-super thanks goes out to **Dr. Herb Meisenbacher** for volunteering his time to do 10 ultrasounds for shelter pets.

Tail wags for **Dr. Paul Rowan** for volunteering his time bimonthly to help our injured and arthritic shelter animals feel better with his laser treatment.

Locking up the clinic got a lot easier thanks to **Taylor's Locksmith, VB** who installed a new lock on the clinic front door for free!

Thanks to **Latisha Brown** for keeping our clinic records in tip top shape by volunteering her Sunday afternoons to scan patient records.

A special thank you goes out to **Dr. Ashley Powell** who volunteers her time monthly performing surgeries on shelter pets.

What a wonderful night full of vegan goodness and art! Thanks to **C. Mae Morin & Cruelty-Free Kitchen** and all its followers for hosting the donation-based dinner to help kick off the art show and raise over \$700 for the critters!



## Who Do We Love? Roger Prunier!

We saved the best for last! On behalf of the animals, volunteers, staff, and everyone else in between – thank you to Roger Prunier for all he has done for the VBSPCA! Roger has been a regular fixture at the shelter for years. He is moving out of the area. We will be forever grateful for the impact he has made, and will miss him immensely. Roger, we wish you the best of luck as you begin this next chapter of your life!



# Kind Kids

## Summer Workshops

Our week-long Critter Camps are sold out, but our **“Be Wild for a Day”** and **“Junior Farmer for a Day”** workshops are back by popular demand! These one-day programs are from 9am–3pm and are open to students age 6-12. **“Be Wild for a Day”** is on Wednesday, July 22 or August 12. Students will spend the day at the VBSPCA having fun and getting their hands dirty while learning about wild animals, wildlife rehabilitation, environmental stewardship, and how it relates to our lives.

**“Junior Farmer for a Day”** is on Wednesday, July 15 or August 5. Students will split their time between the VBSPCA and a field trip to a local farm. They will learn about starting their own vegetable gardens, different types of dirt, making butter, candling eggs to discover the growth process, and an introduction to farm animals. Sign up now as workshops fill up quickly - \$60 per workshop per child. **Please contact Jessie Comba at [youthprograms@vbspca.com](mailto:youthprograms@vbspca.com) for more information.**



## Reading Month Thank You!

VBSPCA staff and volunteers participated in Virginia Beach City Public Schools' Reading Month as guest readers in January presenting animal stories at 18 schools. A very warm and fuzzy thank you to our readers: **Alison Fechino, Amanda Panuline-Dunlap, Amy Stout, Anita Thrasher, Ashley Kale, Cindy Moneta, Dawn Richardson, Eryn Biggs, Gay Mudrick, Jan Hofferbert, Jenna Schuele, Jessie Comba, Karen O'Meara, Kathy Arn, Pam Abrahms, Pat H., Paulina Thompson, Samantha Ciardiello, Stephanie Taylor, Susan Wagner, Susie Berg, Venus Brown, and Wayne Anderson!**



## Art Show

The VBSPCA Fourth Annual Teen Compassion Art Show was held Valentine's Day Weekend. We hosted a vegan pop-up café dinner provided by Cruelty Free Kitchen at Friday night's reception. Approximately 80 people attended and enjoyed local teens' heartfelt renderings of what compassion means to them. The show and dinner also benefited the shelter animals, raising almost \$800.

## Junior Volunteer Lock-In

Our Junior Volunteer participated in our second Lock-In event in January. These students did not mind their “sentence” at all: They got to wear costumes (think CAT burglars) and spend hours in kennel and colonies with dogs and cats until they were bailed out! In less than six hours, these dedicated JVs raised over \$1,730 for heartworm treatments and dentals for our shelter animals. A BIG thank you to **Brannen Mantoni; Dara Scott; Dianna Wetzel; Hailey Russell; Jacob Bridegwater; Jena Czanowski, Katlyn Boedicker; Katlyn Owens, Madison Deveau, Olivia Votava, Richard Brady; Sam McManuels; Sami Griesenbeck, Scott Hocker, Sydney Odango, Tiffany Choy and Veronica Tsang.**

### Dates to Remember:

**May 16** – Summer Junior Volunteer applications due by 4pm  
**June 19** – Vet for a Day Workshop  
**June 25** - Teen Pet First Aid, 11-3PM

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# Finding Forever Homes

## Making a Difference

Thanks in part to our new neighborhood adoption center in Kempsville, we have completed 189 more adoptions in the first quarter of 2015 than we completed in the same time period last year. While dog adoptions have been strong, the center has been particularly helpful in finding adoptive homes for cats. Our cat adoptions have tripled over last year's numbers. This has enabled us to reach out to other shelters to accept transfers of over 300 animals. We believe in working collaboratively to achieve our common goal of helping the homeless animals in our community find loving, forever homes. Our Best Friends, like you, are part of this community. Because of you we are able to expand our reach and save more lives. Thank you! Here's to working together in the name of animals in 2015!

## Bandit

"We're just going to take ten." Cattery Coordinator Shan Phillips repeated this over and over again on the drive to Gloucester-Mathews Humane Society, but when two bleeding heart cat fanatics are on a mission to transfer cats in from another local shelter things can get out of hand quickly! When Shan was first led into the cattery, she was greeted by a large hunk of a cat named Bandit. He had made himself quite at home in a laundry basket full of warm, clean linens. According to employee Bonnie Ellen, Bandit was their longest resident and had been there for nearly six months. Naturally, he was first on the list to come to the VBSPCA! As Shan continued to wander the cattery and back rooms of the shelter, the list of "just ten" quickly grew, and grew and grew some more until the staff of Gloucester Mathews helped to fill the van with nineteen beautiful, friendly cats. That's right – 19! Remember what we said about bleeding heart cat fanatics on a mission? Bandit is now our resident greeter and can be found freely wandering our cattery waiting for his forever home—so come visit him!



## Diamond

Diamond, a lovable and sweet hound was brought to us from Tri County Animal Shelter with her four puppies, Rosie, Willow, Carley, and Bear. Her puppies were fostered by wonderful volunteers and have since been adopted. Diamond is heartworm positive, which makes her a member of our Broken Hearts Club. Her heartworm treatment was paid for by wonderful donors, and shortly after she found her forever home! Diamond's new family says: "Her tail never stops wagging while she's awake. We love her and couldn't have been more happy choosing her for adoption!"

## Quarterly Stats

	JANUARY			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	Dogs	Cats	Other	Dogs	Cats	Other	Dogs	Cats	Other
Received	153	99	17	142	126	30	205	130	34
Adopted	138	148	17	136	127	20	162	106	23
Spay/Neuter	173	133	1	88	68	7	102	53	4
Euthanized*	22	13	4	10	3	1	11	8	0
Wildlife Received	17			14			18		

\*NOTE: All of the animals euthanized by the Virginia Beach SPCA were either ill, aggressive or otherwise unadoptable.



# The Kittens are Coming!

## Become a Foster Volunteer

They don't call it Kitten Season for nothing! Last spring and summer, 598 unweaned or underage kittens were brought to the Virginia Beach SPCA where they were quickly whisked away to amazing foster volunteers. That's 598 lives saved that would otherwise not have been ready for a shelter environment. And we can't do it without you! Being a VBSPCA foster volunteer is incredibly rewarding and life-changing – not just for the animals you help but for yourself as well! Orphaned kittens and puppies whose immune systems are not yet fully developed or who were relinquished before they were fully weaned, as well as adult animals that require special care, are placed into foster homes. Our foster families are always an important part of our daily operations, and during the spring they are vital. During this time of year we are in need of foster volunteers to provide a safe, comfy home for kittens and puppies. From bottle feeding vulnerable kittens to giving puppies a chance to learn how to live in a home, your support as a foster volunteer is essential to the VBSPCA.



**This year we will be offering a special all-inclusive orientation for foster volunteers. Email Amanda Panuline Dunlap at [volunteer@vbspca.com](mailto:volunteer@vbspca.com) if you'd like to join our team. We promise you won't regret it!**

## Donate

We're always in need of supplies from our kitten wish list, and monetary donations allow us to address our most immediate needs. Drop off your donation today, visit our secure donation site at [vbspca.com](http://vbspca.com), or send your check using the enclosed envelope. **Your support will provide the boost necessary for these tiny babies to grow into healthy, loving pets.**



### Kitten Wish List:

- Top-Opening Cat Carriers (small)
- KMR Kitten Formula
- Unscented Baby Wipes
- Ziploc Bags (all sizes)
- Non-Clumping Litter
- Small Litter Boxes
- Blender Bottles
- Small Towels
- Puppy Pads

## Volunteer Orientation Schedule . . . . .

### GENERAL (6:15PM)

Thursday, May 21  
Thursday, June 18  
Thursday, June 16

### KENNEL (8-10:30)\*

Saturday, May 23  
Sunday, May 24  
Saturday, May 30  
Sunday, May 31

### CATTERY\*

Sunday, May 24 (11AM)  
Saturday, May 30 (11AM)  
Tuesday, June 2 (5:30PM)  
Sunday, June 21 (11AM)

*\*Must have attended General Adult Volunteer Orientation before attending animal handling orientations! Check [vbspca.com/calendar](http://vbspca.com/calendar) for more dates!*

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# Honors & Memorials

## BIRTHDAYS

Abby Seeman  
Patti & Paul Seeman

Aiden Burke  
William Hall

Ashlyn Campagna  
Sydney Steffens  
Shawn & Ivy Stephan

Bev Fortenberry  
Kirk & Ruth Simpson

Ellie Picking  
Chris & Sarah Picking

Emma Wagner  
Katherine Jensen  
Cynthia Truitt

Harvey Leishman  
April Mann

Jake Damron  
Elisabeth Scheuer  
The Hurley Family

Lauren Levy  
Libby Gaitskill

Madison Thomas  
William & Suzanne  
Damron  
Joseph & Allison  
Thomas

Natalie Griffin  
Ed & Peggy Haser  
Linda Kane  
Nicole Moritz

Rebecca Lipscomb  
Donna Bulleit

## HONORS

"Angel" Parker-Shuler  
Tami Van Gorder

"Bijou"  
Donald Perry

"Binkey"  
Vermani Insurance and  
Financial

"Boo"  
Raymond Russell

"Brandy"  
Babs West

"Brooklyn" & "Mila"  
Rachel Nuzzo  
Olivia Nuzzo

"Bugsy" & "Shamus"  
Joann Vercelli

"Burnie"  
William Briesacher

"Casey"  
John & Karen Costa  
Geraldine Brohimer

"Cocoa"  
Margaret Barry  
Joe & Ada Bradshaw

"Dude"  
Sheila Romm

"Dusty"  
Audrey Skutnik

"Heather"  
Joyce Sawyer

"James Dean", "Bentley" &  
"Sox"  
Susan & Greg Shelor

"Kacee"  
Kristin Lazenby

"Kati"  
Georgia Brand

"Lady"  
Dori Videtich

"Leo"  
Ingrid Carlberg

"Lexi"  
Robert & Margret Armour

"Lucy" the beagle  
Ryan O'Meara

"Maddie"  
Dennis & Phyllis Scarberry

"Magnus" Marx  
Mary Menzer

"Mia"  
Linda Roper

"Ms. Kitty", "Meshu", "Scooter",  
"Tigger", "Spankie", & "Calie"  
Barbara Stewart

"Mugsie"  
Doreen Husnay

"Oreo", "Big Boy" & "Somer"  
Claude Gregory

"Ozzy"  
Joni Crabtree

"Patch"  
Marianne Caro

"Pennie"  
Michael Holohan

"Penny"  
Lori Rose

"Pepper"  
William & Margaret Reed

"Pepper" & "Delilah"  
Mojgan Tosi

"Phoenix" & "Martini"  
Mary Hubbell

"Piper" & "Sage"  
Carole Carbone

"Plimpy"  
Maureen Crean

"Prinzi"  
Eric & Louise Morgenson

"Richmond"  
Jennifer Harrison

"Roxanne"  
Paul & Violet Holt

"Rufus"  
David & Dian Daniels

"Sandy"  
Kimberly Marshall

"Sarge"  
John & Diana Domanski

"Shadow Man"  
Brenda Lynch

"Siena"  
Bill & Pat Fitzgerald

"Skeeter", "Blackie", & "Little  
Black Cat"  
Constance Carroll

"Smoky"  
Brent & Joanne Amundson

"Snowball"  
Francis & Theresa Rice

"Sophie"  
Mary Knox

"Tasha", "Tasha 2" & "Missy"  
Marion Murphy-Kennedy

"Tate"  
Sara Reed

"Tigger III"  
William Driskill

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"Ally" Brown  
William & Molly Brown

"Amos"  
Mary Waite

"Amy" & "Jane"  
Megan Merrifield

"Aspen"  
Scott & Bettie Leonard

"Baby"  
Linda Reynolds

"Baby" & "Sugar"  
Ed & Ann Holcomb

"Bailey"  
Lisa & Mitch Brooks  
Lisa & Steve Merz

"Ben"  
Janet Cooke

"Ben" Winn  
Bob's Hair Salon

"Benji"  
Rose & Joe Arnold

"Oreo", "Big Boy" & "Somer"  
Claude Gregory

"BK", "Minnie", "Bud", "Jake", &  
"Woody"  
Marc & Nancy Samuels

"Blackie"  
Robert Bishard

"Blue"  
Mary Richardson

"Boy" & "Girl"  
Pamela Gibson

"Brandy"  
Diane Frascella

"Bridy"  
Pat Snow

"Brittany"  
Millie Dubossi

"Buddy"  
Rick & Jill Rowe

"Chumley" & "Mimi" DiPilato  
Betsy & John DiPilato

"Cocoa"  
Phillipe & Barbara  
Daugherty  
Edna Nixon

"Comet"  
Audrey Brinkley

"Cuddles" & "Mona"  
Joseph Ferrara

"Daisy"  
Eleanor Irvin

"Diamond Cat"  
Gregory Werrell

"Dixie" Camp  
Bob's Hair Salon

"Dolly" & "Bear"  
Paul Sullivan

"Don Pepe", "Stewart-Wilbur",  
"Tex" & "Frenchie"  
Tina Schofield-Warren

"Dublin"  
Jean Nicholas

"Ebony"  
Caroline Morris

"Edgar"  
Gayle Jordan

"Ellie"  
William & Brenda Haddock

"Elvis"  
Demaris Yearick

"Elvis" Goodman  
Alice Goodman

"Freeway"  
Patricio & Meriam Natividad

"Gabby"  
Phyllis Wilson

"Gateway"  
Elizabeth Howes

"General Lee"  
Joseph & Christina Eller

"Gill"  
James Flummer

"Ginger"  
Thomas & Lynetta Berry

"Gus"  
Melinda Howell

"Hazel" Henry  
Gene Soltner

"Heidi", "Wendy", & "Puddy"  
Robert Channon

"Henley" Raspanti  
Nancy Porter

"Holly Berry"  
Stephanie Peacock

"Honey"  
Sharon Roth

"Huff"  
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"Hungry Jack"  
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"Irish"  
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"Jaguar" & "Mercedes"  
Susan Mize

"Jasmine"  
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"Jingles" & "Princess"  
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"Katie" & "Alley"  
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"Katy"  
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"Kiki"  
Adrienne & Erika Kennedy

"Kitty"  
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"Kota"  
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"Kurt Russell"  
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"Leo"  
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"Leo" Baker  
Blaine & Mary Denny



"Leonardo"  
Vera Newton

"Lily"  
Anne McCracken  
Bootsie & Jim Rogers

"Lincoln"  
Jean Madden

"Linus"  
Zachary Cooper

"Liz"  
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"Angel"  
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Woody & Harriet Woodhouse

"Mollie"  
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"Precious"  
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"Pretty Boy"  
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"Puffums"  
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Levitin

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